House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 4515–4527; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 333 and H. Res. 509, were introduced. **Pages H3648–49**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 297, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for the planning and construction of the water supply system, amended (H. Rept. 106–633);

H.R. 2498, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for recommendations of the Secretary of Health and Human Services regarding the placement of automatic external defibrillators in Federal buildings in order to improve survival rates of individuals who experience cardiac arrest in such buildings, and to establish protections from civil liability arising from the emergency use of the devices, amended (H. Rept. 106–634);

H.R. 4516, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–635);

H. Res. 510, providing for consideration of H.R. 3916, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on telephone and other communication services (H. Rept. 106–636);

H. Res. 511, providing for consideration of H.R. 4444, to authorize extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the People's Republic of China (H. Rept. 106–637); and

H.R. 2764, to license America's Private Investment Companies and provide enhanced credit to stimulate private investment in low-income communities, amended (H. Rept. 106–638). Page H3648

Recess: The House recessed at 9:41 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. Page H3532

Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 2001: The House passed H.R. 4392, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Disability System.

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Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule.

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Agreed To:

Traficant amendment, No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record debated on Monday, May 22, that requires a report on the effects of foreign espionage

on United States trade secrets (agreed to by a recorded vote of 407 ayes to 1 no, Roll No. 215); and

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Traficant amendment, No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record debated on Monday, May 22, that requires a report within 60 days by the Director of Central Intelligence on whether the policies and goals of the People's Republic of China constitute a threat to our national security (agreed to by a recorded vote of 404 ayes to 8 noes, Roll No. 216).

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Rejected the Roemer amendment, No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record debated on Monday, May 22, that sought to require an annual statement of the total amount of intelligence expenditures for the preceding fiscal year (rejected by a yea and nay vote of 175 yeas to 225 nays, Roll No. 214.

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill.

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House agreed to H. Res. 506, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill on May 19.

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Lewis and Clark Rural Water System: H.R. 297, amended, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for the planning and construction of the water supply system (passed by a yea and nay vote of 400 yeas to 13 nays, Roll No. 217). The Clerk was authorized to make technical and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill; Pages H3538-40, H3581-82, H3583

Raising of the United States Flag in American Samoa: H. Res. 443, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with regard to the centennial of the raising of the United States flag in American Samoa (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 417 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 218);

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Pope John Paul II Congressional Gold Medal: H.R. 3544, amended, to authorize a gold medal to be awarded on behalf of the Congress to Pope John Paul II in recognition of his many and enduring contributions to peace and religious understanding (passed by a yea and nay vote of 416 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 219). Agreed to amend the title;

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Veterans and Dependents Millennium Education Act: S. 1402, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance programs providing education benefits for veterans (passed by a yea and nay vote of 417 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 220). Agreed to amend the title; Pages H3548–58, H3593–94

Recognition of World War II Minority Veterans: H.J. Res. 98, supporting the Day of Honor 2000 to honor and recognize the service of minority veterans in the United States Armed Forces during World War II. Subsequently the House passed S.J. Res. 44, a similar Senate-passed bill—clearing the measure for the President. H.J. Res. 98 was then laid on the table;

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International Child Abduction: H. Con. Res. 293, amended, urging compliance with the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction (agreed to by a recorded vote of 416 ayes with none voting "no", Roll No. 221);

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INS Data Management Improvement: H.R. 4489, to amend section 110 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996;

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Private Mortgage Insurance Technical Corrections and Clarification: H.R. 3637, to amend the Homeowners Protection Act of 1998 to make certain technical corrections;

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Cardiac Arrest Survival Act: H.R. 2498, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for recommendations of the Secretary of Health and Human Services regarding the placement of automatic external defibrillators in Federal buildings in order to improve survival rates of individuals who experience cardiac arrest in such buildings, and to establish protections from civil liability arising from the emergency use of the devices (passed by a yea and nay vote of 415 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 222; and

Harry S Truman Federal Building: H.R. 3639, amended, to designate the Federal building located at 2201 C Street, Northwest, in the District of Columbia, currently headquarters for the Department of State, as the "Harry S Truman Federal Building" (passed by a yea and nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 223).

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Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act of 2000: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 371, to expedite the naturalization of aliens who served with special guerrilla units in Laos—clearing the measure for the President.

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First Sponsor of Captive Exotic Animal Protection Act: Agreed that Representative Franks of New Jersey be hereafter considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 1202, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit interstate-connected conduct relating to exotic animals, a bill originally introduced by the late Representative George Brown of California, for the purpose of adding cosponsors and requesting printings under clause 7 of rule 12.

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Normal Trade Relations Treatment to China: The House completed two hours of debate on H.R. 4444, to authorize extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the People's Republic of China pursuant to a unanimous consent request. Consideration will resume on Wednesday, May 24.

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Earlier, agreed that it be in order to declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill; that the first reading be dispensed with; that all points of order against its consideration be waived; that general debate proceed without intervening motion, be confined to the bill, and be limited to two hours equally divided among and controlled by the Chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means, Representative Stark or his designee, and Representative Rohrabacher or his designee; that after debate the Committee of the Whole rise without motion; and that no further consideration of the bill be in order except pursuant to a subsequent order of the House.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H3650.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea and nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3535–36, H3536, H3537, H3581–82, H3582–83, H3593–94, H3594–95, H3595, and H3595–96. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at midnight.

Committee Meetings

VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies approved for full Committee action the VA, HUD and Independent Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2001.

U.S.—TERRORIST THREATS

Committee on Armed Services: Special Oversight Panel on Terrorism held a hearing on terrorist threats to